

# RACHEL RIPPETOE

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## Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism (CUNY)

Urban Reporting  
Concentration/ Masters in Journalism in 2019

## University of Portland

Political Science Major/  
Bachelor's Degree in 2018

## SOFTWARE

Adobe Suite (Premiere, Photoshop, Audacity)  
Coding language: proficient in Python, Pandas and Jupyter Notebooks

## HARDWARE

Marantz 661 Kit  
Canon EOS c100

## RESEARCH

Spokeo  
ACRIS  
FOIL requests  
PACER  
Property Shark  
LexisNexis  
NYS e-filing system

## AWARDS

2019 Dennis Duggan Prize presented by The Society of the Silurians

2018 Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Circle Awards: Best news writing and best interactive graphic

2018 College Media Association Pinnacle Awards: Best editorial, second place for best general news story

2018 Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association Collegiate Awards: Best writing and best editorial

2017 Society of Professional Journalism Mark of Excellence awards: Best breaking news, in-depth reporting

## EXPERIENCE

### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Data Scraper/ New York, NY

June 2020-Present

Work on contract for the AP Elections Team, helping auto-scrape county election data. Find election result URLs for dozens of counties, map them in the scraper and maintenance them through election night to make sure results are coming out quickly and are accurate.

### FREELANCE

Reporter and Writer / New York, NY

May 2019-Present

Cover a broad range of topics for outlets including [housing](#) and [features](#) for the *Brooklyn Daily Eagle*, [opportunity zones](#) for *THE CITY*, [youth homelessness](#), [gun violence](#) and the [opioid crisis](#) for *Juvenile Justice Information Exchange*, [gentrification](#) for *Crain's New York* and [incarceration](#) for *Gothamist*.

### CITY LIMITS NEWS

Intern / New York, NY

June 2019-August 2019

Covered housing and transportation. Wrote [a long-form piece](#) on the shortage of three-bedroom apartments in New York City's affordable housing program and [a two-part series](#) on the state of Bushwick's [transportation infrastructure](#). Also wrote [policy explainers](#).

### MOTT HAVEN HERALD AND HUNTS POINT EXPRESS

Reporter and News Assistant / Bronx, NY

September 2018-November 2019

Covered housing and development in the South Bronx. Wrote stories on topics such as [flooding](#) and [trash buildup](#) in public housing, [community land trusts](#) and the change public housing in the Bronx is undergoing through [the Resident Assistance Demonstration \(RAD\) program](#). Attended NYCHA board meetings and city rezoning meetings. Also helped run the newspapers' Twitter and Instagram accounts, worked on the monthly calendar and collaborated with other reporters to assign coverage.

### NASHVILLE BUSINESS JOURNAL

Dow Jones News Fund Intern / Nashville, TN

June 2018-August 2018

Wrote more than 50 stories. Profiled CEOs of organizations such as [United Way](#) and [the Nashville Ballet](#). Covered the [challenges minority contractors face](#) working with the city. Worked with other reporters on larger stories, including mining court documents for data on tax fraud and covering the mayor's press conference about police shooting of Daniel Hambrick.

### THE BEACON (STUDENT PAPER)

Editor in Chief / Portland, OR

September 2017-May 2018

Oversaw all content and assignments for University of Portland's student-run media outlet. Managed a staff of 30 and a budget of \$48,000. As editor in chief, produced stories about a pattern of [students getting hit by cars on a campus crosswalk](#) and wrote an investigative piece on [the departures of several members of the campus health care staff](#). Previously served as living editor (August 2016-May 2017) and reporter (January 2015-May 2016).

### THE EUGENE REGISTER-GUARD

Reporting Intern / Eugene, OR

June 2017-August 2017

Produced over 50 bylined news, feature and business articles, with over 15 front page stories. Covered [residents using GoFundMe to supplement the cost of health care](#), U.S. senators [holding a protest at city hall](#), [the new X option on Oregon drivers licenses](#) and [rotting pet remains](#) from a local trailer park fire. Broke news regularly, from [hatchet assaults](#) to [a murder in a neighborhood cul-de-sac](#). Four stories syndicated by the Associated Press.

### PORTLAND RADIO PROJECT

Intern / Portland, OR

October 2014-April 2015

Was a weekly host of a music program, aggregated news to read on air. Interviewed sources on air. Wrote articles online.